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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 25, 2003 (Monday)

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated April 23, 2003, the period for reply extended one (1) month to August 25, 2003 (Monday) by the attached petition for extension of time, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Claim Set as Amended; and

Remarks.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. In accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.

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